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c. Weather [ ] in port was clear with temperatures of about 15°C. Northeast winds of force four were experienced [ ]

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#### 4. Controls

a. [ ] a 75' patrol craft which showed no running lights patrolled [ ]

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c. A security gate is located at designator G.

#### 5. Berth

a. [ ] the waiting berth, designator H, on the southwest side of the grain pier. [ ] the loading berth, designator I, [ ] The pier is [ ] of stone construction, about 130' wide with alongside depths of at least 33'.

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Grain was brought from the grain elevator to the pier by a gallery conveyer [ ]

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b. Stevedores worked around the clock utilizing the three eight-hour shifts in gangs of 15 to 20. Proficiency of the workers was good. Women were employed as sample takers and laborers on the docks.

c. [ ] the northeast side of the grain pier is used for the transfer of general cargo and passengers.

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#### 6. Merchant Vessels [ ] at least 10 merchant tankers and freighters in the anchorage.

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At designator J a Soviet motor vessel of about 4-5,000 tons was off-loading baled rubber. Three Soviet passenger liners called subject port [ ] and berthed at designator K. [ ] they are on a regular run between Tuapse, Batumi, Odessa, and subject port. About 100 passengers debarked each trip. A Soviet vessel was berthed at designator L on the Coaling Pier. Two vessels were berthed at designators M and N.

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#### 7. Naval Vessels The only naval vessels [ ] in subject port were "a few patrol craft," which were [ ] berthed alongside the Naval Base at [ ]

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designator O. These craft were [ ] entering and departing subject port "always one at a time," apparently on routine patrol missions. Each vessel had one "machine gun" mounted on the forecastle.

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# 8. Harbor Craft

a. At the end of the Grain Pier, designator P, two "good, strong" tugs were berthed. Both used the Mediterranean Moor.

b. A 100-ton floating crane was [ ] at designator Q. [ ] this crane was engaged in salvage operations.

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c. [ ] a floating dry dock at designator R capable of accommodating vessels of the [ ] tanker size. Two "tug size" vessels were undergoing repairs there.

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# 9. New Construction In the vicinity of designator S at Sudoremont Shipyard a considerable amount of new construction.

St Nikolai Church, designator T, [ ]

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[ ] saw "many new constructions" within the city itself and at designator U.

# 10. Miscellaneous

a. [ ] all articles of clothing are in particular demand. On the black market an old suit brings 600 rubles, a pair of women's stockings 35 rubles. Prostitutes readily bargain for clothing, especially stockings. Passengers seen debarking the passenger liners mentioned in paragraph 6 above were [ ] "dressed very nice."

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c. In the city [ ] "many soldiers" and sailors.

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d. The Cement Works at designator V, [ ] is in operation 24 hours a day, seven days a week.

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